

State of Texas	§	Court Order
Collin County	§	2022-753-08-15
Commissioners Court	§	

An order of the Commissioners Court approving the filing of the July 18, 2022 minutes.

On Monday, July 18, 2022, the Commissioners Court of Collin County, Texas, met in Regular Session in the Commissioners Courtroom, Jack Hatchell Collin County Administration Building, 4th Floor, 2300 Bloomdale Road, City of McKinney, Texas, with the following members present, and participating, to wit:

Judge Chris Hill
 Commissioner Susan Fletcher, Precinct 1
 Commissioner Cheryl Williams, Precinct 2
 Commissioner Darrell Hale, Precinct 3
 Commissioner Duncan Webb, Precinct 4

Commissioner Hale led the Invocation.
 Commissioner Webb led the Pledge of Allegiance.
 Commissioner Williams led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag.

Judge Hill called to order the meeting of the Collin County Commissioners Court at 1:30 p.m. and recessed the meeting into Executive Session at 1:46 p.m. The meeting was reconvened at 1:53 p.m. and adjourned at 2:19 p.m.

President Hill called to order the meeting of the Collin County Health Care Foundation at 2:19 p.m. and adjourned the meeting at 2:19 p.m.

DECISIONS MANDATED BY LEGAL ENTITIES OUTSIDE OF COMMISSIONERS COURT AUTHORITY:

1. AI-52399 Personnel Appointments, Human Resources.
2. AI-52400 Personnel Changes, Human Resources.

FYI NOTIFICATION:

1. AI-52376 Change Order No. 5 to Construction, Collin County Adult Detention Facility, Phase 1 Addition (IFB No. 2021-239) with Ratcliff Constructors, L.P. to add to install conduit from new roadway pullbox to existing fiber vault, Construction & Projects.

2. Notification of budget adjustment(s)/amendment(s):

- a. AI-52367 \$23,073 to reallocate a portion of FY21 UASI DVE Grant funds between line items, Auditor.

COMMISSIONERS COURT BUSINESS:

Public Comments.

The Court heard public comments after returning from Executive Session.

Petra Anzualda, McKinney, said she has attended Commissioners Court multiple times to get answers on the flooding issues in the Pecan Creek neighborhood. Ms. Anzualda thanked the Court for their last email correspondence. However, she is unclear how that email answers her repeated questions about how the flooding is going to be resolved and when.

Cathy Marchino, McKinney, said there is a letter from the Secretary of State that quotes an EAC (Election Assistance Commission) email about the VSTL (Voting Systems Testing Laboratory) certification on current election machines. Within that letter, the Secretary of State makes several statements that are inaccurate. The Secretary of State must follow state laws in verifying the machines used in Texas elections are lawful. Ms. Marchino quoted several Texas Codes as well as federal law for the requirements of an election machine to be legal. Ms. Marchino urged the Court to help restore the public confidence in the elections and remove the machines for the upcoming election.

Clint Pruett, McKinney, thanked the Court for the chance to speak. Mr. Pruett is a Precinct Chair for the GOP (Republican Party) and is concerned about the integrity of the upcoming election. Republicans make up 14% more of the demographics within the county over Democrats. However, in the last general election the difference was only 4%. Mr. Pruett would like to use paper ballots for the upcoming election.

Joseph Harvell, Plano, is a Precinct Chair for the GOP and shares the previous speakers' concerns about election integrity. Mr. Harvell knocked on doors of voters and found discrepancies in the votes that were documented versus who the people said they voted for. Mr. Harvell is concerned about the accuracy of election machines and would like election reliability. To restore integrity to the election, paper ballots need to be used.

Barbara Isaacs, Fairview, also spoke on the integrity of the upcoming election. Several foreign countries interfered with our 2020 election. Elections in the United States are under attack especially in red states and red counties, like Collin County. The majority of Collin County GOP Precinct Chairs have passed a resolution requesting election machines be removed and paper ballots be used for the elections. Ms. Isaacs

is very concerned about the chain of custody of the votes cast and how the machines are being handled by seasonal workers, not Collin County volunteers.

Joan Wimberly, McKinney, thanked the Court for their hard work and dedication to the county. Ms. Wimberly addressed the letter from the Secretary of State that quotes an EAC email about the VSTL certification on current election machines. Approval of election machines is not solely done by the EAC but also requires a certification from an accredited VSTL. Since Pro V&V did not have a valid, accredited certificate at the time of certifying the machines, the election machines are not legally accredited. The EAC cannot give authorization to Pro V & V to certify election machines until the VSTL certificate is renewed. Ms. Wimberly urged the Court to discontinue use of the election machines.

Shannon Ayres, Frisco, addressed the letter from the Secretary of State that quotes an EAC email about the VSTL certification expiration date. Ms. Ayres referenced the EAC VSTL Manual v.2 that lists five requirements for a certification to be valid. Two out of the five requirements were not met on Pro V & V's 2015, 2017 and 2021's certifications. Ms. Ayres hopes the Commissioners will recognize the wrongful practices done by the EAC. Citizens of Collin County are ready to help to implement paper ballots for the upcoming election.

Spiro Karigan, Plano, thanked the Court for their service to this County. Mr. Karigan has been a resident of Collin County for 30 years and shares concerns about election integrity. Mr. Karigan surveyed the current voters registered in Collin County and found discrepancies in the voting information. Mr. Karigan would like to work with the Court to put a system in place where every legal vote counts for the upcoming election.

Robert Canright, Plano, thanked the Court for taking the time to listen to concerns about election integrity. Mr. Canright addressed the letter from the Secretary of State that quotes an EAC email about the VSTL certification on current election machines. The EAC claimed it's irrelevant that Pro V & V's certification expired. It is only invalid if the certification is revoked. However, this is not what the EAC VSTL Guidelines state. Mr. Canright gave examples of documents with expiration dates that are no longer considered valid even if not revoked. There have been warnings that the upcoming election has the potential to not be accurate. Mr. Canright urged the Court to stand with citizens of Collin County and not use machines in the upcoming election.

Joshua Murray, Lavon, gave the Court the phone number to the Secretary of State office to lodge complaints about the electronic voting machines. The Court should defund electronic voting machines and use paper ballots for the upcoming elections. Mr. Murray spoke on the current vacancy rate between current county employees and vacant positions. Instead of budgeting for positions the county hopes to fill, those funds should be used to provide incentives for current employees. When those funds are not

used and they go into next year's budget, it gives the impression the budget is healthier than it might be. The Court should lower the number of positions funded and use those funds on current employees.

1. **Consent Agenda Items:** Judge Hill asked for comments on the consent agenda. Commissioner Fletcher pulled check number 526166 from item 1a for recusal. Hearing no other comments, a motion was made to approve the consent agenda. (Time: 1:32 p.m.)

Motion by: Commissioner Cheryl Williams

Second by: Commissioner Duncan Webb

Vote: 5 – 0 Passed

a. AI-52377 Disbursements for the period ending July 12, 2022, Auditor.

COURT ORDER NO. 2022-652-07-18

A motion was made to approve check number 526166. (Time 1:32 p.m.)

Motion by: Commissioner Cheryl Williams

Second by: Commissioner Darryl Hale

Vote: 4-0 Passed

Abstained: Commissioner Susan Fletcher

COURT ORDER NO. 2022-653-07-18

b. AI-52378 Indigent Defense Disbursements, Auditor.

COURT ORDER NO. 2022-654-07-18

c. **Advertisement(s):**

1. AI-52356 Professional Audit Services (RFP No. 2022-215), Auditor.

COURT ORDER NO. 2022-655-07-18

2. AI-52380 Road Materials, Flexbase (IFB No. 2022-324), Public Works.

COURT ORDER NO. 2022-656-07-18

3. AI-52381 Road Materials, Asphaltic Concrete (IFB No. 2022-283), Public Works.

COURT ORDER NO. 2022-657-07-18

d. **Agreement(s):**

1. **Funding Agreements for funding through the 2022 Historical Commission Grant Program, Historical Commission:**

a. AI-52316 Allen Heritage Guild in the amount of \$4,535 for the St. Mary's Church restoration.

COURT ORDER NO. 2022-658-07-18

b. AI-52318 Anna Area Historical Preservation Society in the amount of \$1,900 for display cases and exhibits.

COURT ORDER NO. 2022-659-07-18

c. AI-52319 Collin County Genealogy Society in the amount of \$5,000 for digitizing historical newspapers.

COURT ORDER NO. 2022-660-07-18

d. AI-52322 Collin County Historical Society and Museum in the amount of \$2,415 for oral history digitizing and reformatting project.

COURT ORDER NO. 2022-661-07-18

e. AI-52323 Farmersville Historical Society in the amount of \$5,000 for the Bain-Honaker House window restoration.

COURT ORDER NO. 2022-662-07-18

f. AI-52324 Heard-Craig Center for the Arts in the amount of \$900 for the Collin County oral history project.

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g. AI-52325 Heard-Craig Center for the Arts in the amount of \$250 for "Step Up to the Museums".

COURT ORDER NO. 2022-664-07-18

h. AI-52326 Heritage Association of Frisco in the amount of \$5,000 for the restoration of WWI uniform and workshop.

COURT ORDER NO. 2022-665-07-18

e. **Amendment(s):**

1. AI-52366 No. 3 to Professional Services, Architectural, Adult Detention Center Expansion, Phase 2 & 3 (RFQ No. 2021-353) with Brinkley Sargent Wiginton Architects, Inc. to add additional survey work, and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Construction & Projects.

COURT ORDER NO. 2022-666-07-18

f. Budget adjustment(s)/amendment(s):

1. AI-52387 \$3,127 to purchase equipment for HR recruiting purposes, Human Resources. .

COURT ORDER NO. 2022-667-07-18

2. AI-52390 \$830 for the purchase of camera equipment utilizing the Farm Museum Memorial Fund, Special Projects.

COURT ORDER NO. 2022-668-07-18

g. Receive and File, Auditor:

1. AI-52383 Monthly financial reports for May 2022.

COURT ORDER NO. 2022-669-07-18

h. Miscellaneous:

1. AI-52370 Acceptance of the Citibank rebate in the amount of \$10,915.80 to be deposited in the Going the Extra Mile Employee Incentive Program line item, and budget amendment for same, Purchasing.

COURT ORDER NO. 2022-670-07-18

2. AI-52401 Personnel Appointments, Human Resources.

COURT ORDER NO. 2022-671-07-18

3. AI-52402 Personnel Changes, Human Resources.

COURT ORDER NO. 2022-672-07-18

2. GENERAL DISCUSSION

- a. AI-33858** Regional Transportation Council monthly update, Commissioner, Precinct 4.

Commissioner Webb said there is a call for projects in the county to use up to \$50 million in transportation alternatives. This includes projects such as Safe Routes to Schools and Safe Routes to Rail projects. Commissioner Webb urged city engineers and elected officials to submit applications for their trail systems that are incomplete.

The RTC (Regional Transportation Council) approved the conversion of the US 75 HOV (High-Occupancy Vehicle) lane into a technology lane. All the cones and dividers will be removed, and that lane will be striped as a general purpose lane. There will be designated hours during the week that the lane will be solely HOV or EV (Electric Vehicle) use only. The system will be in place by the end of 2022. There will

be signage on the freeways to notify the public of the lane changes. Construction is taking place in conjunction with the Ridgeview Construction currently in motion.

There is a Regional 10-year Plan that was put into motion four years ago with the UTP (Unified Transportation Program). The RTC discussed a funding exchange between Texas Transportation Commission (TTC) Category 12 funding for our Category 2 funding. Commissioner Webb views this as a positive exchange if the RTC will support using the funding for the US 380 project which is anticipated to cost \$3.2 billion and currently has \$.5 billion allocated to it.

Commissioner Williams thanked Commissioner Webb for his work on the HOV lane. Due to the current set-up, the lane is inaccessible to citizens within the city limits of Richardson. (Time 1:33 p.m.)

NO ACTION

Executive Session

The Court recessed into Executive Session at 1:46 p.m. under Chapter 551.072, Real Estate, of the Government Code to discuss the land acquisition for the future US 380 Freeway.

The Court reconvened at 1:54 p.m.

AI-52392 Land acquisition for future US 380 Freeway, Engineering.

A motion was made to purchase 4.841 acres from the Kevin Voigt Living Trust and 3.596 acres from the Frank and Patsy Morris Revocable Living Trust. The Court accepts the agreed-to amount for the purchase of the houses and land as well as all costs necessary for closing and agrees to enter into a post-closing use and occupancy agreement with the current owner. (Time 1:54 p.m.)

Motion by: Commissioner Duncan Webb

Second by: Commissioner Susan Fletcher

Vote: 4-0

Abstained: Judge Chris Hill

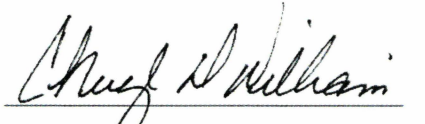
COURT ORDER NO. 2022-673-07-18

The Court returned to public comments at 1:54 p.m.


There being no further business of the Court, Judge Hill adjourned the meeting at 2:19 p.m.

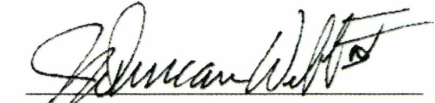

Chris Hill, County Judge


Susan Fletcher, Commissioner, Pct 1


Cheryl Williams, Commissioner, Pct 2




Darrell Hale, Commissioner, Pct 3


Duncan Webb, Commissioner, Pct 4


ATTEST: Stacey Kemp, County Clerk